

ECC BIDS FOR MAT TITLE

El Camino College matmen will be one of the five top choices to nab the State Junior College Championship honors tomorrow and Saturday at Cerritos Junior College.

Other contenders for the junior college title are San Bernardino, Phoenix, Fresno and Modesto. Wrestling will begin at 1 p.m. on both days.

Grappling in the 115-pound division for El Camino will be Ray Pogue, who has won five matches and lost three this season. At 123 pounds for the tournament, Andy Harris has compiled a won three-lost four record in this second and last season for El Camino. During his first season in wrestling for the college, Harris lost four and won one.

RALEIGH HARRIS will be

grappling for the first time in El Camino colors as he wrestles in the 130-pound class.

John Arnold will be at the 137-pound groove for ECC. Arnold has remained undefeated in dual meet competition for two years at El Camino, winning eight and tying two in his freshman year and winning six and tying one this season.

AT 147 will be Warrior matman, Don Holt, also undefeated in dual meet competition this year with a 5-0 record.

Wrestling in the 157-pound division for El Camino will be either Ralph Freas (2-1) or Don Dobrick (5-0). One of the pair will challenge Rick Hansen (1-1) for the 167-pound position on the team.

SOPHOMORE Dennis Pointon, wrestling for his first year

at El Camino, will be slated in the 177-pound class. Pointon has compiled a 5-2 record in his first and last year wrestling for ECC.

Tim Lutz will be wrestling in the 191-pound division on the El Camino College team, having compiled a 2-0 winning record.

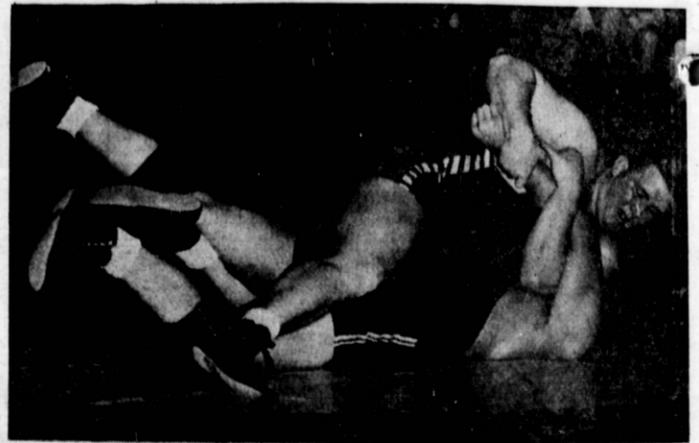
Jim Miller, wrestling in his

first year for the ECC squad, has earned a won six-lost one record as heavyweight. Miller is graduating from El Camino this spring.

TEAM CAPTAIN Dave Fiorelli will not be wrestling in the state tourney because of a recurrent shoulder injury. Fiorelli has wrestled in the 157, 167, and 177-pound weight

divisions for El Camino in his two years on the team. He has compiled a won fourteen-lost two record, winning ten and losing two in his first year at ECC and winning four-losing none in this year's dual meet competition.

The Warriors were undefeated this season in dual meet competition.



TITLE BOUND? . . . Jim Miller, (top) El Camino College heavyweight grappler, will be seeking to maintain his undefeated record and gain the State crown tomorrow and Saturday at Cerritos JC.

YMCA Fives Finishing Up Rugged Slate

More than 40 Torrance YMCA basketball teams are winding up a busy schedule of games. At the play-off for Grady Clubs (boys nine to 12 years of age) in the Torrance High gymnasium, the Diamonds defeated the Big Horns in a tight 8 to 7 game.

Saturday, the older Y boys, 12 to 14, from the Sharks Jr.

Hi-Y Club will make the trek to San Fernando Valley for their chance to compete with crack teams from a number of Southern California YMCAs. Some members from the Knight Jr. Hi-Y will aid in this inter-YMCA rivalry.

On Saturday, March 17, Torrance YMCA will serve as host for another series of sectional

play-offs for teen-age YMCA Clubs.

As usual, the big trophies are being reserved for those teams which demonstrated the best spirit of sportsmanship during the Y Leagues. Announcement of these champions is withheld until the Basketball Sports Award Nights later in the month.

Local Spikers Vie for Relay Title

Impressive Tartars Host Lennox Spikers

Hopeful after an impressive initial Pioneer League track performance against Aviation, Torrance High assumes the role of host tomorrow afternoon against Lennox.

Although it was only the season opener against the Falcons, the Tartars' Tony Bareford and George Ojard displayed mid-season form in tacking up brilliant performances.



TONY BAREFORD
Mid-Season Form

Bareford, running in competition for the first time since nabbing third in the CIF last year and second in the state half mile, turned in a blazing 1:56.3 in the 880, copping the first of two wins.

ALTHOUGH HE turned a best of 1:54.0 in the state meet as a junior, Bareford's clocking was startling for this early in the season. He also grabbed first place in the 220 with a 23.4 time. Bareford barely nipped Aviation's Gary Conn in the furlong, as both men turned in the same time.

Ojard also stepped into the spotlight by heaving the 12-pound shot put 51-10 3/4 on his second put of the day. His previous best effort had been 50-9.

WHILE AVIATION won the meet, 56-48, making a strong early-season bid for the loop crown, the Tartars put on several impressive individual performances.

Jerry Acolesi joined Bareford in the select double victory column, copping two firsts, a second and a third place for his afternoon's efforts.

ACOLESI TOOK the high jump at 5-7 and won the broad jump with a leap of 19-6. He also knocked off a second in the high hurdles and a third in the 100-yard dash.

Aviation also had a pair of dual winners with Ron Hahn and Dennis Kaho copping two wins. Hahn captured the quarter in 52.5 and glided over the tall timbers in 16.1. Kaho took the low hurdles in 21.3 and tied for the top spot in the century with a 10.5 time.

DENNIS DYER pulled a mild surprise in the mile by giving Torrance another first with a 4:41.8 clocking.

Lennox's main strength comes from Dave Byrd in the century and furlong, and Vic Aversano, top Lancer in the low hurdles, high jump and broad jump.

ECC Gymnasts Host Renegades In Loop Battle

Opening the Metropolitan Conference gymnastic season, El Camino College battles Bakersfield today at 3:30 p.m. in the first home meet of the year for the Warriors.

In their last outing, Coach Don Jurk's men dropped both ends of a double, dual meet to San Diego State and Arizona University. San Diego came out on the top end of a 77 1/2-46 1/2 score and Arizona earned a 91 1/2 to 32 1/2 victory.

El Camino was impressive against the four-year universities, with several Warriors turning in impressive individual performances.

DENNIS OLIVER led the Warriors in the All-Round category by scoring well in free exercise, parallel bars, long horse and the rings to run up 23.3 points.

One-legged gymnast Don Dewey ran up 85.2 points in the horizontal bar, side horse, parallel bars and rings to finish second among the Tribe squad.

JIM BLACIC, veteran rope-climber for EC, turned in a good early season performance in his event with a 4.7 second clocking.



SETTING IT DOWN . . . Putting down a sacrifice bunt, El Camino horsehider Ted Sprague helps move teammate around basepaths in recent 7-0 victory over Loyola. (HERALD Photo by John Roberts)



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ON ITS WAY . . . Slamming the horsehide for extra bases, Joel Moore contributes to recent El Camino College victory. Moore will be in the starting line-up this weekend when the Braves take on the University of California at Santa Barbara up north. (HERALD Photo by John Roberts)

Defense-Minded Camino Faces UCSB Horsehiders

Once again, El Camino College's baseball Warriors will hit the road to do battle with the big teams as they trek north to Santa Barbara tomorrow to take on the University of California.

Providing bad weather stays in the east, EC and UCSB will exchange blows tomorrow and Saturday.

To date, Coach Chuck Free-

man's defensive marvels boast a high mark in the win column.

Last week, Compton College traveled to EC and was handed a 9-2 defeat.

The Indians threw relief men Dick King, Ray Wilson and Steve Parker at the visitors. Compton whacked only four safeties to El Camino's nine.

Compton's hill corps, a little shaky at times, issued nine

free passes to the Braves who took advantage of the gifts, scoring five.

Shortstop Bob Withers kept up his reputation as major league bait by banging out two hits in three at bats. He was walked twice.

Catcher Dick Green had a perfect day at the plate, banging two for two.

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Rain Halts Horsehiders In Bay League Opener

Providing the rain does not continue, Bay League baseball teams will get back to work today when North travels to Redondo, and South hosts defending champ Morningside. Torrance will also take to the diamond in a practice contest against Centennial on the Tartar field.

Rain on Tuesday forced the postponement of all scheduled games. These contests will be made up tomorrow when Redondo hosts North and the Spartans will be the guest of the Monarchs.

The rulemakers have inserted a new twist into the year's Bay League schedule. Instead of the old system of playing two rounds, there will be two games a week between the same teams on a home and home series basis.

THAT EXPLAINS why South faces the rugged task of meeting the Monarchs twice in the same week.

The system was devised to

help eliminate the possibility that a team could win the loop crown mostly on the basis of one outstanding hurler. Under the new system, a moundman can throw only nine innings a week, unless a game he is pitching goes into extra rounds.

This rule forces a team to find two reliable chuckers to get by the season.

DESPITE THE FACT South has lost most of its ball club through graduation, the Spartans still loom brightly as a darkhorse because of the change in the rules.

Saxon, Spartan Thinclads Go in Mira Costa Relays

Lacking in depth, a necessary essential for relay meets, North and South High spikers will compete in the Mira Costa Relays tomorrow night against a flock of talented South Bay aggregations.

Although North won its first Bay League meet and South deadlocked in its initial loop encounter, neither of the two clubs figure to win the Micohi crown because of lack

of depth. Lettermen are few and far between in both camps, and while individual talent is not lacking, a well-balanced spike club is.

Mira Costa, impressive in its triangular win over Lawndale and Paramount, always tough Santa Monica, and defending league champ Leuzinger figure to battle it out for the top spots.

RIDING ON THE shoulders of hurdler Gary Peters, North took a resounding 79-25 decision over Redondo in its first Bay League meet.

Peters cracked two meet records while streaking to victory in both hurdle events. He

took the 120-yard timber-top contest in 15.6 to erase the old record of 15.8. Later he came back to blaze the 180 lows in 20.5 to shatter the old standard of 21.3.

PETE MOLINA also put on an impressive show for the Saxons, copping three first places in the 100, 220 and broad jump. Molina took the century in 10.5, won the 220 in

23.3 and went 18-6, good enough for the top slot in the broad jump.

Across town, South was almost robbed of a tie with Morningside on a scorekeeper's error. A minor adding mistake by the home team scorekeeper gave the Monarchs a momentary 57-47 win, but later the correction was made by phone, and the Spartans wound up in a 52-52 deadlock.

LANCE BENNETT was the key man for the Spartans, collecting the only double win of the afternoon. Bennett zipped to victory in the furlong with a 22.8 time, and added his second win in the 440 with a 52.8 clocking.

As easily as not, South could have walked away with a victory, but two matters popped up to halt the South hopes.

DAVE BIRMINGHAM, the Spartans' 50-foot shot putter, was competing in the CIF wrestling finals, and the Monarchs were able to sweep the shot put event.

The other unfortunate blow came when high hurdler Chuck Hanson hit a barrier in coping the tall timber chase in 15.4, and had to be scratched from the lows. MHS took the two top slots in that race.



RAY SOUTHSTONE
EC Spike Boss

ELA HOSTS

Metro Conference Relays Draw El Camino Spikers

Traveling to East Los Angeles City College to compete in the Conference Relays, El Camino College cindermen are slated to see action at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

Warrior tracksters placed well in the SPAAAU-sanctioned Long Beach Relays, taking first in the two-mile relay with a time of 7:55.1, first in the distance medley in 10:41.4, four in the 880-yard relay, fourth in the pole vault, and fifth in the 440-yard relay, mile relay and the 5,000 meter run.

Twenty-two junior colleges participated in the cinder contest. No team scores were taken.

RUNNING the two-mile relay for El Camino, each of four tracksters covering a half mile distance, were Charles Dillon (2:00.3), Richard Redfield (2:01.8), Bob Severance (1:57.2) and Mike Thornton (1:55.7), totaling the time of 7:55.1 and garnering a first place for ECC.

The other first place for the Warriors came in the distance medley, in which Redfield ran the quarter in 52.4, Severance spiked around the half in 2:02.7, John Petersen covered the 3/4 mile in 3:24.1 and Mike Thornton thundered over the mile in 4:22.2, bringing the total time to 10:41.4, a Long Beach Relay record for junior colleges.

WARRIORS Ted Bluechel, Bill Johnson, Ron Davis and Dennis Jett combined efforts

to take a fourth place in the 880-yard run with a time of 1:31.5.

El Camino pole vaulters Ted Bluechel and Floyd Schmidt cleared the bar at 12' 6" for a fourth-place tie.

Garnering a fifth in the 440 yard relay, Wally Lusk, Johnson, Davis and Jett teamed up to cover the distance in 43 seconds.

ECC CINDERMEN Jett (52-1), Severance (50.7), Thornton (52.5) and Dillon each ran a quarter mile of the mile relay, taking fifth place with a totaled time of 3:26.6.

Running in the 5,000 meter race and fifth in a field of 68 entries was El Camino trackster Richard Fernandez, covering the three-mile 180-yard course in 15:10.2.



BOB SHOUP
North Mentor



RICH FERNANDEZ
EC Two-Miler